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Commissioner of Patents, Washington, DC 20231 - Box Amendments no fee Re-submission of data in parent case pertinent to divisional case

Submitted herewith are photocopies of some of the documents in the parent case pertinent to this divisional case. These include the amendment mailed May 18, 2001, leading to the Notice of Allowability of September 7, 2001. The serial number for this case has been added to each page. First are the presently pending claims, derived from the parent case by handwritten renumbering of the parent case. Counsel has received reports that the publication was inaccurate as regards claims. Throughout the prosecution, counsel argued the same reasons for allowability for both method and apparatus. Herein the Examiner could use Reasons for Allowance similar to the parent case.

The filing of these photocopies has been delayed for nearly a year because of the misunderstanding about current Patent Office procedure. When Examiner Smith encouraged counsel to submit the divisional case to his new FAX number, counsel had expected to obtain a Serial Number and allocation to an Examiner promptly.

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Prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowability is earnestly solicited.



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